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Reissue of U.S. Patent No. 6,307,640

REMARKS

Favorable consideration of the present reissue application in view of the present amendment and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

This application is a broadening reissue application for U.S. Patent No. 6,307,640.

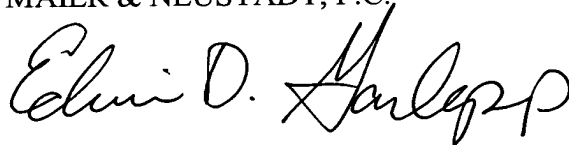
The reissue application filed herewith adds new Claims 9-35, in compliance with 37 CFR § 1.173(b) and (d). The status of all patent claims and all added claims, and an explanation of the support in the disclosure of the patent for the changes to the claims is provided on a separate page filed herewith, as required by 37 CFR § 1.173(c).

Claims 1-35 are presently active in the case, with Claims 1-8 previously patented and Claims 9-35 added by the present amendment.

Accordingly, Applicants believe all requirements of 37 CFR § 1.173(b), (c), and (d) are complied with, and that the present reissue application is in condition for a full and thorough examination on the merits. An early and favorable consideration of the present application is hereby respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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